

Nothing gets giggles like good ol' poop humor. Here are some books that bring party time to potty time!

"Whose Poop Is That?" by Darrin Lunde and Kelsey Oseid (2017)

A Smithsonian mammal collection manager introduces seven types of animal waste to educate young readers about the connection between diet and excrement. An, ahem, solid introduction for younger readers.

"This Poop is Mine!" by Gusti (2020)

Two flies find themselves flinging more than mean words as they battle over a fresh poop left by pooch George. Extolling the art of compromise, this picture book is also available in Spanish as "¡esta Caca Es Mía!"

"Poop" by Poppy Champignon and Mark Hoffman (2019)

Poop, poop, poop. The word never gets old, but a change of circumstances leaves its use open to interpretation when one animal loses his ice cream scoop.

"No One Likes a Fart" by Zoë Foster Blake and Adam Nickel (2020)

Maligned and miserable, what's a poor fart to do? It's tough out there for a fart with a heart ... until he finds someone who loves him just the way he is.

"Raj's Rule (For the Bathroom at School)" by Lana Button and Hatem Aly (2020)

Refusing to use the bathroom away from home, Raj suffers through the school day and avoids activities that might make him "go." When a sneeze break's Raj's resolve, he finds this is one rule he's happy he's broken.

"Dung for Dinner: A Stomach-Churning Look at the Animal Poop, Pee, Vomit, and Secretions That People Have Eaten (And Often Still Do!)" by Christine Virnig and Korwin Briggs (2020)

What's grosser than gross? All the history and science behind the surprising amount of animal waste consumed by humans throughout history.

"Who Gives a Poop? Surprising Science from One End to the Other" by Heather L. Montgomery and Iris Gottleib (2020)

Poop is more powerful than you might suspect! Older readers can learn how scientists, engineers, veterinarians, and other professionals are exploring the STEM applications for human and animal waste.

Now that you've taken your storytime to new places, here are a few family-friendly activities to ensure all that reading about poop doesn't go to waste:

- Poop is a palindrome—a word that reads the same forward and backwards. Can you make a list of other palindromes, or find whole sentences that work?
- Save your toilet paper rolls and use yarn, construction paper and crayons to make puppets out of the tubes.
- Take a low-brow word and elevate it a bit by making a list of all the words and expressions you can think of for “poop.”
- Who poops in your park? Go for a walk in the woods and see if you can find and identify any animal scat.